

Monday, May 10, 1999

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

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**Measures Introduced:** Three bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 992–994, and S. Con. Res. 31.

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**Nominations Received:** Senate received the following nominations: M. Michael Einik, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to The Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia. Mark Wylea Erwin, of North Carolina, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Mauritius, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Federal Islamic Republic of the Comoros and as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of Seychelles.

Christopher E. Goldthwait, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Chad.

Edward E. Kaufman, of Delaware, to be a Member of the Broadcasting Board of Governors for a term expiring August 13, 2000. (Reappointment)

Larry C. Napper, of Texas, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Minister-Counselor, for Rank of Ambassador during tenure of service as Coordinator of the Support for East European Democracy (SEED) Program.

Donald Lee Pressley, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Administrator of the Agency for International Development.

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**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 12 noon, and adjourned at 1:32 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Tuesday, May 11, 1999. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S4979.)

### Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

#### AUTHORIZATION—DEFENSE

**Committee on Armed Services:** Subcommittee on Personnel met in closed session and approved for full committee consideration those provisions which fall within the subcommittee's jurisdiction S. 974, to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2000 and 2001 for military activities of the Department of Defense, and to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal years 2000 and 2001.

#### TWA FLIGHT #800

**Committee on the Judiciary:** Subcommittee on Administrative Oversight and the Courts concluded oversight hearings on the investigation of TWA Flight #800, after receiving testimony from Hank Hughes, Senior Accident Investigator, Frank Zakar, Metallurgist, and Michael Marks, former Metallurgist, all of the National Transportation Safety Board; Donald M. Kerr, Assistant Director, Laboratory Division, New York Division, and William Tobin, former Supervisory Special Agent (Chief Forensic Metallurgist), all of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice; and Andrew Vita, Assistant Director, Field Operations, Bureau of Alcohol Tobacco and Firearms, Department of the Treasury.

# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Bills Introduced:** 3 public bills, H.R. 1742–1744 were introduced. Page H2928

**Reports Filed:** Reports were filed as follows:

Filed on May 7: H.R. 1555, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2000 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System, amended (H. Rept. 106–130 Pt. 1);

Filed on May 7: H.R. 775, to establish certain procedures for civil actions brought for damages relating to the failure of any device or system to process or otherwise deal with the transition from the year 1999 to the year 2000, amended (H. Rept. 106–131);

H.R. 150, to amend the Act popularly known as the Recreation and Public Purposes Act to authorize disposal of certain public lands or national forest lands to local education agencies for use for elementary or secondary schools, including public charter schools, amended (H. Rept. 106–132); and

H.R. 1550, to authorize appropriations for the United States Fire Administration for fiscal years 2000 and 2001, amended (H. Rept. 106–133).

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**Speaker Pro Tempore:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Petri to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. Page H2923

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** No quorum calls or recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 2:00 p.m. and adjourned at 2:11 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, MAY 11, 1999

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

#### Senate

*Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry:* to hold hearings on agricultural trade sanctions, 9 a.m., SR–328A.

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Defense, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2000 for the Department of Defense, 10 a.m., SD–192.

Subcommittee on Foreign Operations, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2000 for the Department of the Treasury, 10:30 a.m., SD–124.

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Readiness and Management Support, closed business meeting to mark up those provisions, which fall within the jurisdiction of the subcommittee, of S. 974, to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2000 and 2001 for military activities of the Department of Defense, to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal years 2000 and 2001, 9:45 a.m., SR–222.

Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities, closed business meeting to mark up those provisions, which fall within the jurisdiction of the subcommittee, of S. 974, to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2000 and 2001 for military activities of the Department of Defense, to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal years 2000 and 2001, 11 a.m., SR–222.

Subcommittee on Strategic Forces, closed business meeting to mark up those provisions, which fall within the jurisdiction of the subcommittee, of S. 974, to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2000 and 2001 for military activities of the Department of Defense, to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal years 2000 and 2001, 2:30 p.m., SR–222.

Subcommittee on Seapower, closed business meeting to mark up those provisions, which fall within the jurisdiction of the subcommittee, of S. 974, to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2000 and 2001 for military activities of the Department of Defense, to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal years 2000 and 2001, 4 p.m., SR–222.

Subcommittee on Airland Forces, closed business meeting to mark up those provisions, which fall within the jurisdiction of the subcommittee, of S. 974, to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2000 and 2001 for military activities of the Department of Defense, to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal years 2000 and 2001, 5 p.m., SR–222.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* to resume hearings on S. 25, to provide Coastal Impact Assistance to State and local governments, to amend the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act Amendments of 1978, the Land and Water Conservation Fund Act of 1965, the Urban Park and Recreation Recovery Act, and the Federal Aid in Wildlife Restoration Act (commonly referred to as the Pittman-Robertson Act) to establish a fund to meet the outdoor conservation and recreation needs of the American people; S. 532, to provide increased funding for the Land and Water Conservation Fund and Urban Parks and Recreation Recovery Programs, to resume the funding of the State grants program of the Land and Water Conservation Fund, and to provide for the acquisition and development of conservation and recreation facilities and programs in urban areas; S. 446, to provide for the permanent protection of the resources of the United States in the year 2000 and beyond; S. 819, to provide funding for the National Park System from outer Continental

Shelf revenues; and the Administration's Lands Legacy Initiative, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 9 a.m., SD-406.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* to hold hearings on United States agriculture sanctions policy for the 21st century, 2:30 p.m., SD-562.

*Committee on Governmental Affairs:* Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, Restructuring and the District of Columbia, to hold hearings on multiple program coordination in early childhood education, 10:30 a.m., SD-342.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* to hold hearings on how to promote a responsive and responsible role for the Federal Government on combating hate crimes, 10 a.m., SD-226.

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*Committee on the Budget,* Social Security Task Force, hearing on Using Long-term Market Investment Strategies to Enhance Social Security Returns, 12 p.m., 210 Cannon.

*Committee on Commerce,* Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Trade, and Consumer Protection, hearing on the NTIA Reauthorization Act of 1999, 2 p.m., 2123 Rayburn.

*Committee on Education and the Workforce,* Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Youth, and Families, hearing on Education Technology under ESEA, 1:30 p.m., 2175 Rayburn.

*Committee on Government Reform,* hearing on Johnny Chung: Foreign Connections, Foreign Contributions, 12 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

*Committee on International Relations,* Subcommittee on Africa, to mark up the following resolutions: H. Con.

Res. 75, condemning the National Islamic Front (NIF) government for its genocidal war in southern Sudan, support for terrorism, and continued human rights violations; and H. Res. 62, expressing concern over the escalating violence, the gross violations of human rights, and the ongoing attempts to overthrow a democratically elected government in Sierra Leone, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

*Committee on Resources,* oversight hearing on status of Nuclear Claims, Relocation and Resettlement Efforts in the Marshall Islands, 11 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Subcommittee on National Parks and Public Lands, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 592, to redesignate Great Kills Park in the Gateway National Recreation Area as "World War II Veterans Park at Great Kills"; and H.R. 1031, White Bluffs Protection Act, 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

*Committee on Rules,* to consider H.R. 775, Year 2000 Readiness and Responsibility Act, 1 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure,* Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, Hazardous Materials and Pipeline Transportation, hearing on GSA's Fiscal Year 2000 Capital Investment Program, 1 p.m., 2253 Rayburn.

### Joint Meetings

*Conferees:* meeting of conferees on H.R. 1141, making emergency supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, 2:30 p.m., SC-5, Capitol.

*Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe:* to hold hearings to examine the status of the International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia, 2 p.m., 2255, Cannon Building.

*Next Meeting of the Senate*

9:30 a.m., Tuesday, May 11

## Senate Chamber

**Program for Tuesday:** Senate will begin consideration of S. 254, to reduce violent juvenile crime, promote accountability by rehabilitation of juvenile criminals, punish and deter violent gang crime.

*(Senate will recess from 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m. for their respective party conferences.)*

*Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES*

12:30 p.m., Tuesday, May 11

## House Chamber

**Program for Tuesday:** Consideration of 4 Suspensions:

1. H.R. 1183, Fastener Quality Act Amendments Act of 1999;
2. H.R. 209, Technology Transfer Commercialization Act of 1999;
3. H.R. 1550, Fire Administration Authorization Act of 1999; and
4. H. Res. —Honoring and Recognizing Slain Peace Officers.

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